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## Marotiri Messenger

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Kia ora Koutou,  
Greetings to parents and  
members of the Marotiri  
School community,  
Kia ora Koutou,

This week our Year 7 & 8  
students have undertaken an  
overnight leadership challenge  
with Miss Holdsworth, which  
involved tramping to the  
Waihohonu Hut, which is part  
of the Round the Mountain  
Tramping Track. We look  
forward to hearing their  
exciting stories of adventure  
on their return this afternoon.  
They were accompanied by a  
wonderful group of hardy  
parents. In preparation, the  
group undertook a day's tramp  
at Mt Pureora last week, led  
by Cyn Smith. Thank you to  
Cyn and Tihoi Venture School  
for the use of their minivan.

Last week our Year 1 & 2  
children took part in an  
overnight camp at school, with  
a Teddy Bears' picnic and a  
top town afternoon followed by  
a shared BBQ dinner for all  
parents and students. The  
following morning the group  
went on an excursion to  
Hurakia Station woolshed and  
Joan Frost's orchard. A  
wonderful time was had by all.  
Thank you to Michelle  
Fletcher, Arna Schultze and  
Sue Stimpson for organising  
such a memorable camp.

Congratulations to our  
students who demonstrated  
their swimming skills last week  
at our swimming sports. They  
are to be commended for their  
tenacity, given the sudden  
drop in temperature and the  
fact that our swimming  
programme had unfortunately

been disrupted in the lead up  
to our sports. The extreme  
heat and volume of daily  
swimmers affected the water  
clarity, despite the concerted  
efforts of Elizabeth and Pool  
World. The Board and staff  
would like to thank Elizabeth  
for her ongoing commitment  
to maintaining our pool as it is  
a wonderful school and  
community asset. An  
additional filter pump and  
reticulation system is to be  
fitted shortly to ensure this is  
not a recurring problem.  
Meanwhile the pool has been  
restored to its pristine  
condition, and our swimming  
season has been extended. A  
number of Year 4-8 students  
will be competing at the  
Pinelands Swimming event on  
Friday 8th March at the  
Mangakino Community Pool.

NZEI have organised a Paid  
Union Meeting on the  
afternoon of March 19th, for  
all NZEI staff members. This  
will mean that the school will  
be officially closed from  
lunchtime to allow staff to  
attend the meeting to discuss  
the outcome of the latest  
negotiations and decide on  
the next steps in the  
campaign. Bus runs will  
begin at 12.30. We apologise  
for the inconvenience this  
may cause families, and hope  
that there will be a resolution  
shortly.

Student Led Conferences will  
be held in Week 8 of this  
term. This year the first five  
minutes of the conference will  
be set aside for children to  
share their learning with their  
parents, with the remaining  
ten minutes for parents to

discuss their child's learning  
with their class teacher.

All members of the  
community are invited to join  
us for a farewell luncheon to  
celebrate the work that Leith  
Thomas has carried out for  
us as our Administration  
Officer over the past 14  
years. More details will be  
published as soon as the  
date has been finalised.

Students are busy  
developing their student  
inquiry 'Whanaungatanga'  
and we look forward to  
celebrating their learning with  
parents and community  
members on Thursday  
11th April. We will be holding  
an open day and plan to  
conclude the day with a  
Hangi and disco. The  
children will be involved in  
planning and preparing for  
the Hangi, but we do require  
an organisation committee to  
help oversee this process. If  
you are able to assist, please  
contact the office.

*Quote of the week: Life isn't  
about finding yourself. Life is  
about creating yourself.*

*Ngā mihi*

Rose Symes

Birthday celebrities  
this issue are  
Shannon who turns  
9 tomorrow, Kordell  
is turning 11 on the  
9th, Cullen will be  
turning 8 on the 13th,  
Kayden turns 9 on the 18th  
and Rhythm is 9 on the 19th.  
Happy birthday to you all.



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Term 1  
Week 6  
Wednesday  
6 March  
2019

### INTERACTION

THIS  
FRIDAY

1.45pm

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### STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES


- ⇒ Monday 18th -  
1.15pm start
- ⇒ Thursday 21st -  
3.15pm start

You still have time  
to book an  
appointment.

Please return forms  
to the Office.

**NEXT BOT MEETING**  
**Tuesday 27 March at 6.45pm**



<p><b><u>TERM 1 INQUIRY</u></b>  <b>“Whanaungatanga”</b>  <b>Exploring our cultural heritage</b></p> <p>Thank you to <b>Cyn Smith and Bryony Wylie</b> for assisting with catering for a Friends of the School event last Christmas.</p>	<p><b><u>JUNIOR CAMP</u></b>  <b>ROOM 5 WRITING</b>     <b>Junior Camp</b></p> <p>Last week we had camp at school. I slept with Harlan and Elijah. Harlan kicked Elijah off the bed. We went to the Hurakia Woolshed. By Quinn</p> <p>On camp we went to the woolshed at Hurakia and the Orchard of Joan Frost. I liked sleeping in my tent. By Jack</p> <p>We made salads and when the parents got here we got the tents up. We went to the woolshed and we went to the orchard. I liked sleeping in the tents. By Holly</p> <p>Room 5 and 6 all went to the woolshed and Nathan told us about the woolshed and he sheared the sheep's wool off. By Harlan</p> <p>On Thursday and Friday we went on camp. We did top town activities after school. We had morning tea and we went to Joan's orchard. We had lunch in the orchard and then we went back to school. Before all that we went to the woolshed at Hurakia. My favourite part of camp was the woolshed. By Logan</p> <p>I stayed at school. I liked sleeping in a tent with Kora and Jayda. I ate corn on the cob and sausages for dinner on Thursday night. By Carleigh</p> <p>We found a possum trap when we got to the orchard and we saw the sheep get shorn at Hurakia woolshed. I slept with Quinn and Harlan. By Elijah</p> <p>I had a good sleep and I liked playing in the woolshed at Hurakia and Joan's orchard. By Harix</p> <p>I went to camp at school. Thank you Mum's and Dad's you guys were awesome and I enjoyed playing with Annabell. I enjoyed having dinner with my Mum and brother Jaxon. By Allie</p>	<p><b><u>Forthcoming Events</u></b></p> <p>8 Mar: Pinelands Swimming Sports</p> <p>18 &amp; 21 March: SLC's</p> <p>19 Mar: NZEI PUM</p> <p>20 Mar: FOS lunch fundraiser</p> <p>25 Mar: Mobile Dental Clinic arriving the week of the 25th</p> <p>29 Mar: Annual Working Bee</p> <p>11 April: Hangi for Celebration of Learning.</p>	<p><b><u>Next Marotiri Messengers</u></b>  20 March and 3 April</p> <p><b><u>SKOOL LOOP APP</u></b></p> <p><b>Have you downloaded the skool loop app?</b>  Receive notifications of events, cancellations, notices, newsletters, permission slips, absentees. Free download and choose <b>Marotiri</b> once installed.</p>	<p><b><u>Kiwi Steps Preschool</u></b>  <b>42 Tihoi Rd, Whakamaru</b>  <b>8.00am – 5.00pm</b>  <b>for all children 0 – 5 years</b>  Open school holidays.  Bicultural learning environment.  ECE, Primary and Te Kohanga Reo qualified teachers.  20 hrs FREE for 3 &amp; 4 year olds.  <a href="mailto:office@kiwisteps.co.nz">office@kiwisteps.co.nz</a>  (07) 8828 234 or 027 9330 368</p>	<p><b><u>WORKER AVAILABLE</u></b></p> <p>Window cleaning services, inside and out.  Good rates.  Experienced reliable relief milker.  Can start immediately.  Ph: Rebecca 0273981774.</p>
<p>Recently the FOS and some senior students helped to serve burgers at the <b>Farmlands Fishing Competition in Taupo</b>. This effort resulted in a donation of \$750 towards our school fundraising. Thank you to <b>Elizabeth Dysart, Bryony Wylie, Heather Kelly, Fee Holdsworth, Rose Symes, Richard Simpson, Rebecca Kelly, Leith Thomas, Lexie &amp; Kellie Haycock, Trinity Chaffe and Rocio Dysart</b>. <b>Super work!</b></p>		<p><b><u>STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES</u></b>  <b>18th &amp; 21st March</b></p> <p>Confirmation of appointment times will be sent home by Thursday 14th March.</p> <p>SLC's will be held on ...</p> <p>⇒ <b>Monday 18th - 1.15pm start</b></p> <p>⇒ <b>Thursday 21st - 3.15pm start</b></p> <p>Children whose appointment times are within an hour of the start time can remain at school. Others will need to travel home on the bus and then return later for their scheduled SLC appointment.</p>	<p><b><u>BOT TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS 2019</u></b>  <i>NZSTA would like to encourage parent and whanau participation on school boards in order to help shape and support the education of their children. To that end, we will be rolling out the Korari Programme for anyone interested in finding out about standing for the school board elections and having a say in the education of their children.</i></p> <p>1. <b>Korari:</b> a programme that provides you with governance training to help you understand the role of school boards of trustees.</p> <p><i>We will be rolling out information sessions for Korari in Terms 1 &amp; 2.</i></p> <p>2. <b>Korari form:</b> NZSTA will support anyone who advises us they are interested in becoming a trustee, by way of the workshops but also providing access to our Learning Management System where online modules re. school governance, student achievement etc. can be completed.</p> <p>3. <b>Community member guide to the role of the board of trustees:</b> This explains a lot of commonly asked questions and information about becoming a trustee.</p>	<p><b><u>COUNTRY KIDZ ECE</u></b></p> <p>Country Kidz ECE is a community based centre for preschoolers from 6 months to 5 years old. We warmly welcome new families to the area.</p> <p><b>Morning session 8.30am - 12.30pm</b>  <b>Full day session 8.30am - 3.30pm</b>  20 free ECE hours available for 2, 3 and 4 year olds - conditions apply.  Please contact us on 07 333 9111 or at <a href="http://countrykidz@xtra.co.nz">countrykidz@xtra.co.nz</a>  Centre Manager: Samdra Evans</p>	<p><b><u>HOUSE AVAILABLE</u></b></p> <p>620 Tihoi Road. Three bedroom house available for short-term rent. Available now until 25 May. \$280 per week. Bond and tenancy references required.  Inquiries to Michelle 021 2509757.</p>
<p>Thank you to <b>Grant Sandford &amp; his assistant William</b> for pumping up all the school sports balls.</p>	<p>Thank you to the <b>Ladies Tennis group</b> for their generous donation of used tennis balls for school use.</p>	<p><b><u>DENTAL THERAPISTS</u></b></p> <p>We have been advised that the Mobile Dental Clinic will now be arriving on the <b>25 March</b> to check all students on the roll. Pre-schoolers are also seen when the clinic is here.</p>	<p><b><u>HANGI CELEBRATION</u></b></p> <p>As part of our Term 1 student inquiry 'Whanaungatanga', we would like to end the term with a celebration of learning by way of a <b>School and Community Hangi</b>. We are seeking people who would be willing to be part of an organising group. Please call the office 073728273, if you are able to help.</p>	<p><b><u>WHAKAMARU PLAYCENTRE</u></b>  <b>9.30 - 12:00 noon</b>  <b>Mondays &amp; Fridays</b>  <b>Corner Arataki &amp; Tihoi Roads.</b>  This is a free, parent-run programme for children aged 0-5 years.  E: <a href="mailto:whakamaru.playcentre@gmail.com">whakamaru.playcentre@gmail.com</a>  Phone <b>Lisa 07 2120025</b> or <b>Alley 027 3722858</b></p>	<p><b><u>SITUATION VACANT</u></b>  <b><u>Tihoi Venture School</u></b>  <b><u>Office Administrator</u></b></p> <p>Part time; School Term only  Minimum 15 hours per week  Based at Tihoi Venture School (50km west Taupo)  Email CV and cover letter to <a href="mailto:c.smith@stpauls.school.nz">c.smith@stpauls.school.nz</a>  Applications will be considered as received.</p>
<p><b><u>FOUND AT SCHOOL</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ A bag of assorted coins.</li> <li>♦ A small ladybird earring.</li> <li>♦ A silver amethyst charm bracelet.</li> <li>♦ A pair of pearl earrings.</li> <li>♦ A silver ring found in the swimming pool.</li> </ul> <p>If you recognise any of these items, please call the office.</p>	<p><b><u>THANK YOUS</u></b></p> <p>☺ To all those parents / families who helped with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☺ Stayed over at Camp,</li> <li>☺ Helped with transportation,</li> <li>☺ Let us use their BBQ's,</li> <li>☺ Let us use their tents.</li> </ul> <p>☺ Thank you all very much for your help and support over the Junior Sleepover. You are all super stars.</p>	<p><b><u>ANNUAL WORKING BEE</u></b>  <b>29 MARCH</b>  <b>Save this date!!</b>  <b>9.30am start</b></p> <p><b>Indoor &amp; outdoor jobs</b></p> <p>Our school grounds are a source of pride. To help maintain them and the school buildings in a tidy condition, we need to count on some intensive, annual volunteer labour. Details regarding tasks &amp; gear needed will be distributed soon.</p> <p>The Board of Trustees asks if employers could kindly release their staff, even for an hour or two. All members of the community are welcome to join us. There will be a BBQ and drinks afterwards.</p>	<p><b><u>MAROTIRI MESSENGER VIA EMAIL</u></b></p> <p>If you would prefer to receive your copy of the Marotiri Messenger via email instead of the usual paper copy, can you please email/phone the Office to arrange this.</p>	<p><b><u>TIHOI ROAD TRAFFIC SAFETY</u></b></p> <p>The BOT is working with OPUS, Taupo Police, NZTA, and TDC concerning road safety on Tihoi Road outside the school. If you are aware of any past or recent incidents, please would you let the office know so we can inform the relevant authorities and raise the profile of this issue.</p>	<p><b><u>FARM SOURCE</u></b>  <b>“CHEFS COMPLEMENTS”</b>  <b>night in Taupo</b>  <b>Wednesday 13th March</b>  <b>6.00pm to 8.30pm</b>  <b>at Chef Complements</b>  <b>11 Gascoigne Street, Taupo</b>  The night will be St Paddy themed, so wear your green and come on down!  <b>All community members are welcome!</b></p>
<p><b><u>SPORT ACTIVITIES HOSTED</u></b>  <b><u>BY THE SENIOR STUDENTS</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>ROOM 6 STUDENTS CAMP WRITING</u></b></p> <p>The Room 6 students Camp writing will be included in the next Marotiri Messenger. Be sure to keep an eye out for their writings as well as the Camp photos!</p>	<p><b><u>BOXES OF TISSUES</u></b></p> <p>Thank you to those who have already donated boxes of tissues for class use.</p> <p>For those unsure of the process, we ask families to donate a box of tissues, which are stored in the office &amp; distributed around the classes as required. Your contribution is very much appreciated &amp; not an onerous burden if shared by all families.</p>	<p><b><u>LOST PROPERTY / ITEMS LEFT AT SCHOOL AFTER CAMP</u></b></p> <p>If you are missing items of clothing and/or a mattress left at school after Camp, please come and check the Lost Property.</p>	<p><b><u>Waikato Regional Council</u></b>  <b>Drop-in days</b>  <b>To discuss Healthy Rivers/Wai Ora Proposed Plan Change 1.</b></p> <p>These will be held at the South Waikato Vet Clinic in Whakamaru from 10 – 2pm on the following days:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ 20<sup>th</sup> March,</li> <li>♦ 7th April,</li> <li>♦ 15th May</li> <li>♦ 12th June.</li> </ul> <p>These Drop-in days are for farmers in the area to come and have a chat.</p>	<p><b><u>GARDENER REQUIRED</u></b></p> <p>Keen, reliable gardener wanted Kinloch area. Please phone Natalie 027 629 0208.</p>
<p><b><u>SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS</u></b></p>	<p>Kind regards</p> <p>Arna Schultze, Michelle Fletcher and Sue Stimpson</p>	<p><b><u>WEANER PIGS</u></b>  Available now.  Please contact Barry on 0274955518 or Kurt 0272475300</p>	<p><b><u>KIDS GREENING TAUPO</u></b>  <b>2019 Student Leadership Team</b>  <b>Applications close 1 March</b>  <b>Open to Years 6—8</b>  Check out the website  <a href="http://www.kidsgreeningtaupo.org.nz">www.kidsgreeningtaupo.org.nz</a></p>	<p><b><u>Cleaner Required</u></b>  <b>Immediate Start</b></p> <p><b>Gourmet Mokai</b> require a cleaner for 10-12 hours per week. You will need to be available to start at set times, must have your own transport, be reliable, available to work in the school holidays, communicate well and have a good eye for cleanliness.  Tasks Include:  Dry and wet mopping / Vacuuming / Detail cleaning of surfaces / Spot cleaning of windows / Clearing rubbish / Restocking consumables / Full toilet clean.  Applicants for this should have NZ residency or a valid NZ work visa.  Only Applicants who can provide evidence of their New Zealand work eligibility will be considered.</p>	<p><b><u>BALANCE AGRI-NUTRIENTS</u></b></p> <p>Farmer Field Day  Friday 8 March  11am — 2pm  at Waihora woolshed on Whangamata Road.</p>
<p><b><u>PINELANDS SWIMMING SPORTS</u></b>  <b>FRIDAY 8 MARCH</b>  <b>Yrs 4 - 8</b></p> <p>Selected students have received a letter notifying them of organisation details for this event.</p>	<p>Page 2</p>	<p>Page 3</p>	<p>1569 Tihoi Road R D I Mangakino 3492</p>	<p>Page 3</p>	<p><b>Please contact Deborah Chan</b>  <b>021 195 8001.</b></p>